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 For: INTRON/EXON STRUCTURE OF THE HUMAN AND MOUSE
 BETA3-ADRENERGIC RECEPTOR GENES

STATUS INQUIRY

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

On August 20, 2003, Applicants filed a Submission of Issue Fee Payment, Issue Fee Transmittal and Formal Drawings. To date, Applicants have not received an Issue Notification.

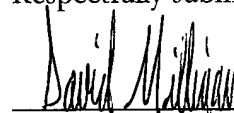
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Respectfully submitted,

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